FISCAL NOTE

HB 1904 - SB 2124

April 5, 2005

SUMMARY OF BILL: Revises the following provisions governing nursing: requires all nurses to be licensed whether of not they are compensated; eliminates the provisions allowing recent graduates who have not received exam results to obtain a temporary permit as a registered or practical nurse; eliminates the requirement that notice be given 30 days before each professional or registered or practical nursing examination to the public press and to the approved schools of nursing in the state; eliminates the requirement that the license renewal fee be set annually and requires nurses who have not been practicing for five years to be issued an inactive license; requires institutions that want to conduct a professional or practical school of nursing to apply with the Board of Nursing, submit a written report to the Board and be surveyed by the executive director of the Board every eight years; and directs the board to grant prescriptive authority to advanced practice nurses who meet the qualifications for writing prescriptions or dispensing drugs instead of nurse practitioners.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

MINIMAL

Assumption:

• This bill changes issues relating to temporary permits, annual review of fees and outdated terminology and procedures which will not have a fiscal impact on the Department of Health or the Board of Nursing.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director